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# 1,300 miles to ask a question? Colossians 1:3-8

#### **Errors at Colosse** Gnosticism: A variety of second-century AD religions whose participants believed that people could only be saved through revealed knowledge, or γνῶσις. Gnostics also held a negative view of the physical or material world.

Asceticism: A lifestyle characterized by few possessions or luxuries. It is an attempt to focus one's life on religious or spiritual matters and to not be distracted by things of the world.

Ritualism: The finding religious comfort from customs, ceremonies, modern day examples are found in Roman Catholicism, Orthodox Churches, etc.

Dualism: A philosophical doctrine which holds that mind and matter are distinct, equally real, and not essentially related.

Bad Philosophy: systems of thought or reason that lead you away from God's redemptive person and plan.

## What causes a church to go the wrong way? Actually, it is unavoidable...

Now, how do you write a letter to a cooling and drifting church to whom you are essentially a stranger?

Let's read Col 1:3-8...